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Applicant: Kazuo Yokoyama et al. : Art Unit:  
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For: HEAD SUPPORT MECHANISM, :  
INFORMATION RECORDING/REPRODUCING  
APPARATUS, AND METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING HEAD SUPPORT  
MECHANISM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application  
as follows:

SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 7, insert ☒ --THIS APPLICATION IS A U.S.  
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Please replace ☒ the paragraph, beginning at page 21, line 17, with  
the following:

Figures 24A, 24B and 24C are diagrams showing relative positions  
of a driving element of an actuator portion and a disk surface according to  
Embodiment 9.